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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2002. A request for a three month extension of time, and the authorization for payment of the appropriate fee, is separately enclosed herewith.